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April 23, 2001

Francis James
Fiber Materials, Inc.
5 Morin St.
Bidderford Industrial Park
Bidderford, ME 04005-4497

Re: Fiber Materials, Inc.
A St. Bidderford Industrial Park
Bidderford, ME 04005
EPA ID Number MED048268890

Dear Mr. James:

I am writing to clarify for you a recent change in the Comprehensive Environmental Response and Liability Information System (CERCLIS) status of the property referenced above. Following a review of the status, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has concluded that this property is not subject to Corrective Action under Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

Because this property may have been subject to Corrective Action under RCRA, it was "deferred" and archived from the CERCLIS database. Sites receive a "deferred" decision when the federal Superfund Site Assessment program has determined that no further steps will be taken to list the property on the National Priorities List because the property is being addressed under Corrective Action authorities.

EPA has therefore removed the "deferred" decision and returned the property to the active CERCLIS inventory for future EPA Superfund Site Assessment. This property currently remains on the CERCLIS inventory with a low priority decision.

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection (ME DEP) has assumed the task of reviewing existing information and, if necessary, developing additional information relating to the nature and extent of contamination. This information will allow both the state and EPA to determine whether further federal action is appropriate.

If you have any questions, I may be contacted at 617 918-1449.

Sincerely,

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RCRA CA Deferral to SUPERFUND
Region 1 - New England

The facility known as FIBER MATERIALS INC., EPA ID#MED048268890, located at 5 Morin Street in Biddeford, ME, is or was, a facility subject to RCRA Corrective Action (CA).

However, the Region 1 RCRA CA and Superfund programs have determined it is most advantageous that the remedial actions at this facility be addressed under the Superfund program. Because the Superfund program has taken responsibility for the cleanup of this facility, the Superfund program will be tracking the remedial actions under their (e.g., GPRA) measures, and the facility will no longer be tracked on the RCRA CA Program's GPRA Baseline or measures.

Comments:

This facility was listed in the Office of Inspector General (OIG) 1999 audit report "Superfund Sites Deferred to RCRA", EISFF8-11-0006-9100116. This facility was identified during the audit as (please indicate):

- ~~1. Potentially not being part of the RCRA CA universe~~
- ~~2. Not being found in the RCRA CA universe~~
- 3. Being subject to RCRA CA but not statutorily required to be addressed by the RCRA program

Needed Actions: UNDEFER & UNARCHIVE, change qualifier to LOW

Assign SI to contractor or state

Change address from "A Street Biddeford Ind. Park" to "5 Morin Street"

CERCLIS Status

Last CERCLIS entry is a Preliminary Assessment, 09-30-92, current qualifier is NFRAP, archived

Don Smuty
EPA Superfund Site Assessment Manager

8-22-00
Date

RCRIS Status

David Lim
EPA RCRA Facility Manager

9/5/00
Date

EPA Section Chief Approval

Dennis R. Ryan
Chief, Technical Support & Site Assessment

9/28/00
Date

Wendy S. England
Chief, RCRA Corrective Action

9/25/00
Date

EPA Branch Chief Approval

Stanley D. Ch...
Chief, Technical & Support Branch

10/3/00
Date

DF
Chief, Restoration & Remediation II

10/4/00
Date